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COALVILLE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

INCLUDING THE REPORT OF THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1970

August, 1971

Municipal Offices
Coalville

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A N N U A L R E P O R T

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HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

at 31st December 1970

Chairman:

Councillor H.W.Lindsey

Vice-Chairman:

Councillor Mrs M.A.Griffin, J.P.

Councillors: D.R.Bryan, P.S.Burton, A.Clarke, J.P., Miss M.A.Earp, B.W.Johnson, H.R.Lager, A.H.Moore, K.R.Nicholls, P.A.Parker, G.A.Peacey, D.C.Peatling, L.A.Robinson, C.J.Rowlinson, L.T.Simpson, S.W.Smith and R.W.Wileman.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

Medical:

Andrew Hamilton, M.B., CH.B., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health (part-time)

Municipal Offices, Coalville. Telephone: Coalville 4941
Home: Coalville 3723

Public Health Inspectors:

H. Hunter, C.R.S.H., F.A.P.H.I., Chief Public Health Inspector

D. Allen, C.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector

J. Hewitt, Dip. P.H.I.E.B., Dip.R.S.H.(Air Pollution Control),

M.A.P.H.I., Additional Public Health Inspector -
(resigned 31.12.70).

Clerical Staff:

Mrs J. Richards

Mrs K. Isaac (part-time)

Pest Officer:

T. Regan.

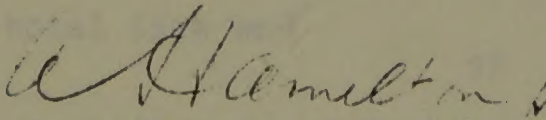
Public Health Department,
Municipal Offices,
COALVILLE.
Leicester.

To: The Coalville Urban District Council.

Mr Chairman and Members of the Council,

I beg to submit for your consideration the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health concerning the sanitary circumstances, sanitary administration and vital statistics of the area for the year 1970. The Report broadly follows the lines indicated in Circular 1/71, dated the 1st January, 1971 from the Department of Health and Social Security.

I wish to thank all the members of the staff of the Public Health Department for their help throughout the year; to acknowledge the co-operation received from all other members of your staff with whom I have had contact; and to thank members of the Council themselves for their continued consideration and courtesy to me personally.


Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area (in acres)	6,552
Estimated Population (mid 1970)	28,640
Number of domestic properties (April 1970)	9,277
Rateable value (31/3/70)	£1,077,253
Estimated product of 1d rate at 31/3/70	£4,428

VITAL STATISTICS

	1970	England & Wales	CUDC 1969
Estimated mid-year population	28,640		28,400
<u>Live Births</u>			
M			
F			
Total			
Total	222	193	415
Legitimate	208	182	390
Illegitimate	14	11	25
<u>Live Birth Rates etc</u>			
Live births per 1,000 home pop.(crude)	14.5	16.0	15.2
Area comparability factor	1.02	1.00	1.02
Local adjusted rate	14.8	16.0	15.5
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	.92	1.00	.95
Illegitimate live births as percentage of all births	6	8	6
<u>Stillbirths</u>			
M			
F			
Total			
Total	4	3	7
Legitimate	4	3	7
Illegitimate	-	-	-
<u>Stillbirth Rate</u>			
Stillbirths per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	17	13	11
<u>Total Live and Stillbirths</u>			
M			
F			
Total			
Total	226	196	422
Legitimate	212	185	397
Illegitimate	14	11	25
<u>Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age</u>			
M			
F			
Total			
Total	3	4	7
Legitimate	2	3	5
Illegitimate	1	1	2

Infant Mortality Rates

Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 live births	17	18	16
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 legitimate live births	13	17	17
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year per 1,000 illegitimate live births	80	26	-

Under 4 weeks of age

	M	F	Total		
Total	2	2	4	4	2
Legitimate	1	1	2		
Illegitimate	1	1	2		

Neonatal Mortality Rate

Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births	9.6	12	5
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Under 1 week of age

	M	F	Total		
Total	2	2	4	4	2
Legitimate	1	1	2		
Illegitimate	1	1	2		

Early Neonatal Mortality Rate

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	10	11	5
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Perinatal Mortality Rate

Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	26	23	16
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Deaths - all ages

M	F	Total		
185	143	328	328	310

Death rates etc

Deaths per 1,000 home pop.(crude rate)	11.5	11.7	10.9
Area comparability factor	1.12	1.00	1.16
Local adjusted rate	12.9	11.7	12.6
Ratio of local adjusted rate to national rate	1.10	1.00	1.06

Maternal Mortality (including abortion)

Number of deaths	0	
Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	0	.18

DEATHS

The death rate (12.9) is slightly higher than last year (12.6) and also higher than that for England and Wales (11.7). About one third of the deaths occurred outside the District and 137 were persons over 75 years.

BIRTHS

The birth rate (14.8) was slightly down on 1969 (15.5) and lower than for England and Wales as a whole (16.0). Approximately nine-tenths of the births occurred outside the district.

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The deaths of seven children under one year were recorded, giving an infantile mortality rate of 17 per 1,000 live births. Only one death occurred at home, and four of the babies were under one week old.

Prematurity was mentioned as a contributory cause in three cases, congenital abnormalities in two; brain damage in one and disease of the digestive system in one.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS, 1948 and 1951

No formal action was necessary during the year under the above Acts.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Twenty-nine visits were paid in the investigation of requests for this service, involving thirty-eight persons. There has been no change in the general arrangements re cooking and distribution. The local W.R.V.S. members have undertaken the latter duty but additional help in this direction would be gladly welcomed. Thanks are due to the employers who cook the meals and, of course, to the members of the W.R.V.S. for their very considerable contribution to this service.

HOME SAFETY

The Home Safety Committee has continued its activities in the usual way and although small in numbers has been encouraged by the success of several efforts, most of which have been directed towards young people, although the community at large has not been neglected.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Seven persons were examined with a view to assessing their fitness to become contributors to the Superannuation Fund. All were found fit.

ABBNEYFIELD SOCIETY

The Abbeyfield House in Forest Road has continued to function satisfactorily throughout the year and it would appear that the hopes of those responsible for its provision and for its subsequent administration have been fulfilled. Although not always carrying a full complement the financial part of the undertaking has been satisfactory, whilst the comfort and well-being of the residents seems to have left little or nothing to be desired.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

As suggested in my last Report, an attempt was made to take steps to introduce an organised scheme of community service in the Thringstone area. A quite well attended meeting in the early part of the year at which Mr Burton, Secretary of the Leicestershire Old People's Welfare Association was present, agreed that such a scheme should be put into operation, but for various reasons progress has been disappointing, although it is hoped that sooner or later things will really begin to move

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The tables below indicate the age and sex distribution of notifiable disease occurring in the district.

NOTIFICATIONS

Age	Measles		Dysen- tery		Scarlet Fever		Diphth- eria		Acute Meningitis		Acute Polio			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	Para- lytic		Non- para- lytic	
Under - 1 year	1	3							1					
1-2 yrs	1	1			1									
2-3 yrs	3				3									
3-4 yrs	1													
4-5 yrs	3	2	1			1								
5-9 yrs	5	5			2	2								
10-14 yrs	2					4								
15-24 yrs	1	1							1					
25 & over														
Age Unknown														
Total	17	12	1		6	7			2					
	29		1		13		0		2		0		0	

Age	Acute Encephalitis				Leptospirosis	Paratyphoid Fever	Typhoid Fever	Food Poisoning			
	Infective		Post Infectious								
	M	F	M	F					M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 5 years											
5 - 14											
15 - 44											
45 - 64											
65 & over											
Age Unknown											
Total											
	0		0		0		0		0		0

Age	Whooping Cough	
	M	F
Under 3 months		
3-6 months	1	1
6-9	1	
9-12		
1- 2 years		1
2- 4		1
5- 9	1	2
10-14		1
15-19		
20-24		
25-34		
35-44		
45-54		
55-64		
65-74		
75 & over		
Total	3	6
	9	

Age	Tuberculosis									
	Tetanus		Infective Jaundice		Resp.		Meninges & C.N.S.		Other	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year										
1 - 2			1							
2 - 4			1	2						
5 - 9			4	5						
10 - 14			7	11						
15 - 19			5	3						
20 - 24			2	1						
25 - 34			3	1					1	
35 - 44										
45 - 54			1	1						1
55 - 64			1		1					
65 - 74										
75 & over					1	1				
Total			25	24	2	1			1	1
	0		49		3		0		2	

In addition no cases of smallpox, ophthalmia neonatorum, anthrax or yellow fever were notified.

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1970

Causes of Death	Sex	Total all ages	Under 4 weeks	4 wks & under 1 yr	Age in Years								75 & over	
					1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-		
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Other Tuberculosis	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	M	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	6	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Leukaemia	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leukaemia	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leukaemia	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	8	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Malignant Neoplasms	F	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-
Diabetes Mellitus	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Diabetes Mellitus	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Other Endocrine etc Diseases	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multiple Sclerosis	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Diseases of Nervous System	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Diseases of Nervous System	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hypertensive Disease	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hypertensive Disease	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ischaemic Heart Disease	M	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ischaemic Heart Disease	F	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Cerebrovascular Disease	M	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	10	11
	F	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	7	10
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
	F	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	5
Influenza	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Pneumonia	M	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	4
	F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5
Bronchitis and Emphysema	M	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	10	13
	F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peptic Ulcer	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Appendicitis	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System	M	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Nephritis & Nephrosis	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Other Diseases Genito-Urinary System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Congenital Anomalies	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	F	3	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc	M	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	M	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Symptoms and ill-defined Conditions	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	F	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Accidents	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other External Causes	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total all Causes	M	185	2	-	1	2	2	-	2	4	-	2	14	61	56
	F	145	2	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	13	35	81
Total all Sexes		328	4	-	3	2	-	-	-	4	-	-	22	96	137

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the
Coalville Urban District Council.

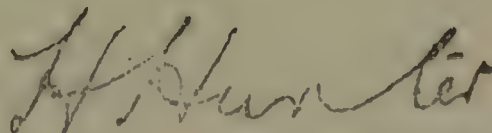
Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my pleasure to once again report on the activities of the Public Health Inspector's Department during the year 1970.

The year 1970 will long be remembered as the year when Conservation was on everyone's lips. We read about it in the press, we saw it on the television, we heard about it on the radio. We all suddenly discovered we had an environment and were even made to believe that no one was concerned at all about it, nor ever had been. We know this is not true. If it were so then local Health Committees must have been wasting a lot of money for a long time. The reduction in air pollution which has taken place in the last twenty years has made a practical contribution to the improvement of the environment. This is only one example of the many activities of a Health Department which result in an improvement in our way of life. No doubt much more could have been done but any improvement costs money and I do not recall that ratepayers generally have ever asked to be allowed to pay increased rates to enable local authorities to make widespread improvements.

The year also brought along many discussions and comments on local government reorganisation. Some for this and some for that. It ought at all times to be remembered that the right way to reorganise is to reorganise to the benefit of the majority. I accept that in any change some will lose, that is inevitable, but we all must not lose, the majority must gain for the change to be worth while.

I thank the members of the Council and their staff, especially those in my own department, for the kindest co-operation and assistance which has been afforded to me during the year.



Chief Public Health Inspector.

Municipal Offices,
Coalville.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

The sanitary accommodation in the Urban area at the end of 1970 was estimated to be made up as follows :

11383	-	water closets
30	-	pails, including chemical closets
6	-	privies.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

The particulars given below are for all purposes including those given elsewhere in this Report with the exception of rodent control.

Total number of complaints received - 769

Inspections in connection with :

Dwellinghouses	1769
Infectious disease enquiries (including Food Poisoning)	96
Verminous and dirty premises	4
Drainage works	495
Tents, vans and sheds	275
Water supplies	6
Atmospheric pollution	260
Factories, workshops, etc	21
Shops and Offices	121
Keeping of Animals	3
* Rodent Control	126
Refuse storage, collection & disposal	19
Schools	10
Slaughterhouse & meat inspection	213
Other food premises	1422
Bakehouses	20
Dairies	4
Miscellaneous inspections	627
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* Not including visits by Pest Officer.

Additional work was carried out as under :

Ice Cream samples	37
Miscellaneous foods for bacteriological examination	9
Bath water samples	75
Specimens collected (food poisoning, dysentery, research, etc)	26

The number of notices served during the year, together with figures showing the number complied with, are given in the following tables :

PRELIMINARY

	<u>Housing</u>	<u>Public Health</u>
Outstanding on 1st January	28	12
Issued during year	52	49
Complied with during year	46	37
Outstanding on 31st December	34	24

STATUTORY

Outstanding on 1st January	8	1
Issued during year	1	15
Complied with during year	4	7
Outstanding on 31st December	5	9

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are now no common lodging houses in your area.

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

There are two houses in multiple occupation which have been inspected during the year. They have been reasonably well maintained and no serious contraventions have been noted.

CARAVANS

<u>Type of Licence</u>	<u>Sites occupied at 31.12.70</u>
(a) Individual Caravans	23
(b) More than one Caravan	2 *

* Not including the Council owned site.

The Council took steps during the year to dispose of the Ellistown Caravan Site and because of this it was decided not to relet pitches as they became vacated. At the end of the year only 15 caravans were on the site.

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trades in your district.

PUBLIC SWIMMING BATHS

The Public Swimming Bath in your area is owned by the Council and situated in Avenue Road.

The bath has a capacity of 80,000 gallons, water for filling being obtained from the public supply.

Treatment is by filtration and chlorination and the pumps are designed to change the water at least every four hours. Daily tests of water were made for chlorine residual and alkalinity and in addition 75 samples of bath water were taken by your Inspectors. The great majority of these samples were found to be satisfactory.

SCHOOLS

Routine inspections of schools, with particular attention to canteens, are made from time to time. Any problems which arise are referred to the Director of Education.

AIR POLLUTION

Measurement of smoke and sulphur dioxide by an instrument sited at the Municipal Offices continued to be made through the year. The table below shows that the quantity of both these pollutants have now remained at about the same level for the past few years. This points to only minimal variations in the use of fuel. There is certainly a change in fuel habits. More people are using the convenience fuels, such as gas and electricity, and this may account for the slight reduction in winter smoke in 1970 being at 82 m/c metre, the lowest average recorded.

Year ended 31st March	Smoke			Sulphur Dioxide		
	Summer	Winter	Mean	Summer	Winter	Mean
1963	68	176	122	104	234	170
1964	67	158	114	111	196	155
1965	65	156	112	109	200	155
1966	69	100	85	99	140	121
1967	44	96	72	89	154	124
1968	36	86	60	92	144	117
1969	-	94	-	-	146	-
1970	37	82	61	92	154	126

A great deal of concern was expressed locally when Midland Rexco received planning permission to erect a plant at the rear of the Snibston Mine of the National Coal Board. This will in the main process coal from the Snibston Mine and should be a shot in the arm for the mines economy. However the public are quite naturally concerned that they should not have to suffer from smoke, smell and grit from such a plant. A lot of thought has been given to the problem by your officers. A lot of onerous conditions have been imposed on the developers in the hope that when production starts in the autumn of 1971 the fears of the public will be allayed. We shall have to wait and see and smell in the hope that we have covered every contingency. In order to be in a position to assess the amount of any additional smoke and sulphur dioxide which this plant might emit we have installed measuring equipment in the near vicinity. This was put into service in the later summer of 1970 and we should therefore have twelve months figures without the plant to compare with the figures when the plant begins to operate.

From the readings already taken it would appear that the levels of smoke and sulphur dioxide are slightly less on average than those around the Municipal Offices as set out in the table on the previous page.

It was during the year that the Council resolved to cover the whole of your area with smoke control orders spread over a period of twenty-five years. At an opportune moment steps will be taken to implement this programme.

RODENT CONTROL

Despite an increase in the number of treatments carried out for both rats and mice, your Pest Officer was also able to attend several meetings of the Leicestershire Rat Control Campaign Committee when the problems of rats on farms was the main topic for discussion. Following the success of the campaign in 1969, efforts were redoubled and a great amount of publicity was received. Demonstrations were arranged and a local committee was set up with a member of this Council as Chairman. The climax of this campaign was reached in November and all out efforts to kill rats on farms have resulted in many areas being freer from rats than ever before.

Once again there has been little evidence of Warfarin-resistant rodents but where any doubt has arisen, and it was safe to do so, zinc phosphide has been used to clear infestations.

The following is a summary of the work done in relation to rodents and insect pests :-

Premises treated for rats	...	...	415
Premises treated for mice	...	...	89
Treatments of Council houses for insect pests	...	...	24
Treatment of private houses for insect pests	...	...	40

KEEPING OF ANIMALS

Two premises were registered under the provisions of the Animal Boarding Establishment Act.

Visits were made during the year in order to ensure that the requirements of the Act were being observed.

HOUSING

The General Improvement Area mentioned in my last report has not yet been declared. At the end of the year the outline scheme prepared by your Engineer & Surveyor was being discussed by the planning authority and the Ministry. One can only hope that a decision will not long be delayed in order that some progress can be made.

The year saw the completion of the 218 houses started in 1969. Time and time again I have heard both members and officers say "there is a danger that if we are not careful we shall over-build". It never surprises me to find that when we do build they don't stand empty for long. Furthermore when they are all occupied we still have a waiting list. We could certainly do with another scheme to build accommodation of the right type and towards this end a group accommodation unit for older people was being planned at the end of the year. One hopes that this is only the forerunner of many such units in the town. Other authorities find there is a need and a ready acceptance. I have no fear that Coalville will differ in this respect.

During the year the Council made 71 Demolition Orders and 12 Closing Orders.

The facilities afforded by the Housing Act, 1969 allow of landlords to increase rents when property is of a good standard of repair and provided with the standard amenities. These facilities have not been taken up to any extent locally. Only nine applications were dealt with during the year under review.

INSPECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSES DURING YEAR

1.	(a)	Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	...	406
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	959
2.	(a)	Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	... ..	206
	(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	...	644
3.		Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	... ..	206

HOUSES IN CLEARANCE AREAS AND UNFIT HOUSES ELSEWHERE

A. Houses Demolished	Houses Demolished	Displaced During Year	
		Persons	Families
In Clearance Areas			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	-	-	-
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc	-	-	-
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43(2) Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17(1) Housing Act, 1957	47	210	96
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by Medical Officer of Health	8	-	-
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under Local Acts	-	-	-
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	-	-	-
B. Unfit Houses Closed	Number		
(8) Under Sections 16(4), 17(1) and 35(1) Housing Act, 1957	9	29	9
(9) Under Sections 17(3) and 26 Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
C. Unfit Houses made Fit and Houses in which Defects were Remedied.			
	By Owner	By Local Authority	
(11) After informal action by local authority	32	-	
(12) After formal notice under (a) Public Health Acts (b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	7	-	
(13) Under Sections 24 Housing Act, 1957	2	-	

At the close of the year 1,594 post war houses had been completed by your authority, 48 by the East Midlands Housing Association and 2,451 by private enterprise.

Since the coming into operation of the Rent Act 107 applications for Certificates of Disrepair have been received. These have been dealt with as follows :-

Number of applications received	...	107
Number of applications refused	...	2
Number of undertakings by owners to carry out work	... ..	62
Number of Certificates of Disrepair issued	... ..	43
Number of Certificates revoked	...	7

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a) MILK SUPPLY

The following table shows the number of dairies and distributors registered on the 31st December, 1970 and the number of inspections made :-

DAIRIES (other than dairy farms) and DISTRIBUTORS (Milk & Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959).					
	No. on Register	No. of Inspections	No. of Contraventions		
			Found	Remedied	Outstanding on 31st Dec.
Dairies	8	4	-	-	-
Distributors	40	-	-	-	-

(b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS

The only licenced slaughterhouse in the town closed down at the end of January 1970.

The following table gives details of the animals inspected etc during 1970 :

Number of licenced slaughterhouses	...	1
Animals slaughtered therein (one month)	...	281
Animals examined therein	...	281
Inspections of meat at time of slaughter	...	281

DETAILS OF CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNATIONS

TABLE A

	Cattle excl Cows	Cows	Calves	Lambs and Sheep	Pigs
Number killed	62	-	-	150	69
Number inspected	62	-	-	150	69
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis</u>					
Whole Carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	40	-	-	37	11
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis	64%	-	-	25%	16%
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	1.6%	-	-	-	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	1	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totalled condemned	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE B

Details of organs condemned and reason for condemnation.

Tubercular Offal etc :-

	Cows	Cattle (excluding Cows)	Pigs
Lungs	-	1	-

Non-Tubercular Offal etc :-

	Cows	Cattle (excluding Cows)	Pigs	Sheep Lambs
Pairs of Lungs:-				
Cysts	-	1	-	-
Fluke	-	1	-	-
Parasites	-	-	8	3
Pleurisy	-	11	-	-
Pneumonia	-	2	6	9
Regurgitated Ingesta	-	2	-	-
Livers:-				
Abscesses	-	1	-	-
Fluke	-	9	-	12
Part Livers:-				
Cirrhosis	-	-	1	-
Fluke	-	22	-	12
Parasitic	-	-	1	-
Spleens:-				
Peritonitis	-	2	-	-
Hearts:-				
C. Ovis	-	-	-	3
Cysticercus Bovis	-	1	-	-
Pericarditis	-	-	2	1

TABLE showing the percentage of Animals
found to be affected with Tuberculosis

<u>Year</u>	<u>Cattle excl.Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
1950	19.8	49.2	6.6
1951	17.4	35.2	4.4
1952	21.0	42.1	5.2
1953	18.5	35.8	4.9
1954	13.1	25.8	3.7
1955	10.8	19.5	4.0
1956	9.6	24.2	5.0
1957	9.6	18.7	3.7
1958	8.9	15.8	4.1
1959	9.5	2.5	2.9
1960	1.7	3.4	3.4
1961	0.1	-	2.4
1962	0.1	-	2.5
1963	-	-	2.4
1964	-	-	2.0
1965	-	-	1.0
1966	-	-	0.7
1967	-	-	0.2
1968	-	-	0.7
1969	-	-	0.1
1970	1.6	-	-

TABLE showing the incidence of
Cysticercus Bovis

<u>Year</u>	<u>Animals Affected</u>
1952	3
1953	1
1954	8
1955	3
1956	4
1957	16
1958	17
1959	22
1960	15
1961	14
1962	28
1963	20
1964	19
1965	25
1966	11
1967	5
1968	7
1969	3
1970	1

DISPOSAL OF UNSOUND FOOD

The weight of meat and offal condemned during the year amounted to 3-cwts 70-lbs.

In addition the following goods were surrendered and destroyed :-

87-lbs Canned Meats
86-lbs Assorted Meat Joints
66-lbs Cooked Meat and Meat Products
524-lbs Other Canned Foods
2433-lbs Other Foods
25-ozs Fresh Fish

- - - - -

3042-lbs Frozen Foods

All meat and offal, after condemnation, is stained with a green dye to prevent its disposal for human consumption. It is collected by two firms specialising in the recovery of industrial waste and by a local dog breeder who, after sterilisation of the meat, feeds it to his dogs. There is no sale of pet food from these premises nor does this person carry on any food business. A similar system is operated in the case of other unsound food where their nature allows them to be used for such purposes.

FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960

The following table sets out details of the food premises in your area subject to these Regulations :-

Trade	Total No.	No.complying with Reg. 16	No. to which Reg.19 applies	No.complying with Reg. 19
Bakehouses	4	4	4	4
Butchers	24	24	24	24
Catering	98	98	98	98
Fish Shops (including fried fish & chip shops)	15	15	15	15
General Food Shops	109	109	26	26

The following table sets out the action taken in connection with the Food Hygiene Regulations :-

Number of Premises inspected	...	251
Number of inspections made	...	1422
Number of Informal Notices served	...	42
Number of Informal Notices complied with	...	26
Number Outstanding 31st December	...	16

ICE CREAM

Under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 there were registered at the close of the year 95 premises for the sale of ice cream and one for its manufacture and retailing.

37 samples of ice cream were submitted for examination during the year. 28 of these were placed in provisional Grade I (Methylene Blue Test), 6 in Grade II and 3 in Grade III.

ADULTERATION ETC

During the year we received 10 complaints from customers regarding foodstuffs. Three of these referred to moulds and ten to foreign matter.

After consideration of all the circumstances in these cases the Council decided not to take court action but to issue warnings.

APPENDIX

FACTORIES ACTS, 1961

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration
of the Factories Act, 1961.

PART I OF THE ACT

INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

TABLE I

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Prosecutions
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	2	2	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	76	19	1	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers' premises)	5	-	-	-
TOTAL	83	21	1	-

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

	Number of cases in which defects were found			
	Found	Remedied	Referred	
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector
Want of Cleanliness (S1)	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S2)	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S3)	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S4)	1	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors(6)	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)				
(a) insufficient	-	-	-	-
(b) unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-
(c) not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork)	1	-	-	-
Total	3	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

		Section 133			Section 134		
		No. of Outworkers in August list Sec.110(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council	No.of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No.of instances of work in unwhole- some premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel	Making etc	9	-	-	-	-	-
Total		9	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

REGISTRATION AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

	No. of premises registered during year	Total No. of registered premises at end of year	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspect- ion during year	Persons Employed
Offices	6	42	25	340
Retail Shops	6	163	32	891
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	8	6	83
Catering establish- ments open to public, canteens	1	25	7	130
Fuel Storage depots	-	1	-	2
Total	13	239	70	1446

Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors
to Registered Premises - 121.

Contraventions were found as follows :

<u>Section</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>No. found</u>
4	Cleanliness	11
5	Overcrowding	-
6	Temperature	8
7	Ventilation	-
8	Lighting	16
9	Sanitary Conveniences	9
10	Washing facilities	17
11	Supply of Drinking Water	-
12	Clothing accommodation	-
13	Sitting facilities	-
14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
15	Eating facilities	2
16	Floors, passages & stairs	6
17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	-
19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
24	First Aid Provisions	9
	Other matters	18
		<u>96</u>

ACCIDENTS

Three non-fatal accidents were reported. One of these was investigated and informal advice was given to the occupier.

